

★ NEW ENGLAND ★ 2015 STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

STUDENT DELEGATE INFORMATION

July 14-17, 2015

Stonehill College - Easton, MA



Sponsored by the NFHS Section 1 State Associations



Tentative Schedule of Events

Tuesday, July 14

Registration	1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Opening General Session	4:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Dinner	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
State Meetings	7:45 pm - 9:00 pm
Recreation Time	9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Wednesday, July 15

Breakfast	8:00 am - 8:45 am
General Session/Load Buses	9:00 am - 10:00 am
Community Service Projects/Lunch	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
1st Breakout Session	3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
State Meetings	4:45 pm - 6:00 pm
Dinner	6:15 pm - 7:15 pm
2nd Breakout Session	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Recreation Time	9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Thursday, July 16

Breakfast	8:00 am - 8:45 am
General Session/Load Buses	9:00 am - 10:00 am
Special Group Event/Lunch	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
3rd Breakout Session	3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
State Meetings	4:45 pm - 5:45 pm
Dinner	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
General Session	7:15 pm - 9:00 pm
Recreation Time	9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Friday, July 17

Breakfast	8:00 am - 8:45 am
State Action Plan Presentations	9:00 am - 10:00 am
Closing General Session	10:15 am - 12:00 pm
Checkout/Return Room Keys	12:15 pm - 1:30 pm



Tomorrow's Leaders: High School Athletics and Activities Participants

Incredible attention is being paid to high school athletics and activities programs today. Participants in these programs are looked up to as leaders because of their position on the team or club. The impact that these young people have on the climate and culture of their schools, fellow students and community is incredible. In fact, studies show that more than one-half of high school students participate in some form of school activity or athletic program. The involvement of these students in the success of a high school is paramount and critical.



The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) and its Section 1 members want to be the leaders in training talented, committed young people to become better citizens who will be positive, contributing adults and role models for youth. We are pleased to announce that in partnership, the state associations from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont will be hosting the 5th Annual New England Student Leadership Conference from July 14-17, 2015 at Stonehill College in Easton, MA. This conference is a four-day, residential event for approximately 300 student and adult leaders who participate in interscholastic athletic and activity programs through their state high school athletic/activities associations.



The conference is modeled after the NFHS National Student Leadership Conference that took place in Indianapolis, IN for over a decade. The NFHS event was the only national student leadership conference of its kind for high school athletes and activity participants. The goal of the NFHS event was to assist high school student-athletes and activity participants in developing their leadership abilities while interacting with peers from across the United States and Canada. This conference will replicate the training curriculum for student-athletes and activity participants from across the northeast.

Conference Curriculum

The curriculum for the conference will focus on Respect, Positive Values, Perspective, Sportsmanship, Teamwork, Healthy Lifestyles, Community Service and Self-Evaluation. These components will be presented in large and small-group sessions, led by outstanding adult and college facilitators specifically chosen for their involvement in athletics at the high school and collegiate level, and will address contemporary issues that impact a young person being a leader and role model. In addition to group discussion, special guest speakers will share inspirational messages, stories of overcoming adversity and utilizing the power of positive influence. The conference will also incorporate a community service project as part of the leadership training curriculum that will take place in local communities.



Supervision

In addition to the 30 college and adult curriculum facilitators, approximately 30 adult delegates will serve as advisors and chaperones as they oversee the student delegates from their respective states. These adults will take an active part in the discussions and curriculum of the conference. The adult delegates and adult staff members will be available to help the students with any questions or concerns they might have during the four-day event. A conference nurse will be on site throughout the week for any medical issues. In addition, Stonehill College Public Safety and staff will be available 24 hours a day on campus for any safety and security needs.



Attire

The conference takes place in a relaxed atmosphere to encourage learning and facilitate interaction. The high temperatures and humid weather during the mid-summer dictate casual clothing for this event. Jeans, shorts, sneakers and t-shirts are appropriate for the majority of the conference functions. Participants will be provided with three t-shirts during registration that are intended to be worn on specific days of the conference. Participants are encouraged to bring a set of clothing/footwear that they will not mind getting dirty as community service projects will take place on Wednesday morning. Please do not bring any questionable or offensive attire. For further information, please see the recommended packing list on page 7.



Housing

Participants will be housed in traditional college residence halls. Each room will accommodate 2-4 delegates. There will be bathrooms and showers on each floor. Bed linens (fitted sheet, flat sheet) and a towel will be provided for each participant. Participants are encouraged to bring their own blanket and pillow as these items will not be provided. Participants are to sleep in rooms to which they have been assigned. Visiting a room assigned to the opposite gender is not permitted. Student delegates must submit a separate check made payable to "MIAA" in the amount of \$60 as a room key/card deposit. When the room key/card is returned at the end of the conference, the deposit check will be returned to the student delegate. In the event that a delegate loses a room key/card, the check will be deposited. The sponsoring state associations and Stonehill College are not responsible for key/cards lost or misplaced for any reason.

Meals

Meals will be provided by the college food service in the college dining hall. All meals will be provided beginning with dinner on Tuesday, July 14 and ending with breakfast on Friday, July 17. Students who have food allergies or special dietary needs must indicate such information on the Student Health History Form. Some residence halls have vending machines that can be utilized for snacks during the week. Students are encouraged to bring small amounts of money for vending machines in addition to their own snacks/bottled drinks if necessary.

Code of Conduct/Conference Policies

Student participants are expected to act in a responsible manner that will reflect well on themselves, their schools, their state associations and the New England Student Leadership Conference. Students are expected to respect each other and themselves while following the rules of the conference. The use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs is strictly prohibited. In addition, students are expected to observe the established conference and Stonehill College campus curfews each night, sleep in their assigned rooms and not visit housing areas of the opposite gender. Students are not permitted to leave the college campus. Students who violate any of the conference policies will be asked to leave at their own expense without a refund.

Transportation

Students are not permitted to drive to the conference or leave cars on the Stonehill College campus. Participants from Massachusetts should make arrangements to be dropped off at the event registration area between 1:00-3:00 pm on July 14. Participants travelling from outside Massachusetts will be contacted by their local state associations regarding travel arrangements.

Application/Registration

The student registration fee to attend this conference is \$250. This fee will cover the cost of meals, lodging, training, materials, and transportation during the four days. To apply for an opportunity to represent your local state association at this event, please complete the online application information found at www.miaa.net. **The application deadline is June 1, 2015.**

The online application process includes:

- Student Delegate Application
- Student Health History/Consent for Treatment
- Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement
- Student Code of Conduct
- Registration check in the amount of \$250 made payable to your local state association**
- Room key/card deposit check in the amount of \$60 made payable to "MIAA" **
- Parent/Guardian Application Acknowledgement Form**

**** Items to be mailed to local state association following online application submission**

Student applicants will be contacted by their local state association with further information upon receipt of application materials.



Harvey Alston
www.harveyalston.com

Considered one of the most dynamic, “high octane” speakers in America, Harvey Alston has been a full-time speaker since 1989. He has spoken to millions of people throughout the United States who have benefited not only from his knowledge, but also from the wisdom that Harvey Alston brings to the finish line. His unforgettable words of individual responsibility for achievement have improved spirits, spurred growth, and changed lives. His powerful, soul-searching presentations uplift audiences to a higher standard, and to a level where they strive only for the best. Harvey Alston believes in solitary achievement, shared accomplishment and the dignity of human beings. Harvey Alston’s enterprise is called Best Inc., based on his philosophy and his book titled “Be the Best.” He is the Coordinator for the Ohio High School Athletic Association Student Leadership Conferences, a contributing writer and photographer for the Highland Lakes Monthly Magazine, a member of the National Speakers Association and serves on the advisory board to the Olentangy School District, the Upper Valley Joint Vocational School and many civic boards, panels, and commissions.



Stephen Bargatze
www.magicofstephen.com

Stephen Bargatze is an internationally acclaimed comedian and motivational speaker. With over 25 years experience, Stephen is a rare talent among entertainers. His genuine personality endears him to any audience, and he quickly develops a strong, positive relationship with the crowd. No longer merely spectators, audiences find themselves caught up in the comedy and amazement of Stephen’s zany performance. He sticks with direct, simple effects that are easy for the audience to understand. His personal story of overcoming an alcoholic home life as well as a childhood accident that left him with a speech impediment touches men and women on an emotional level. As Director of Student Services Program for the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association, he speaks to thousands of students each year using his magic to show today’s youth how drugs, alcohol and tobacco can effect their lives. Stephen has a unique way of combining humor and magic with impacting messages to motivate audiences. His Magic With a Message presentations are not only enlightening but inspirational. His career highlights include being chosen to represent the US at the World Summit of Magic; a featured entertainer, magician, comedian and lecturer at the Blackpool Magic Convention, the largest magic convention in the world; and a featured entertainer at the Country Music Awards post-ceremony celebration.



Eddie Slowikowski
www.eddiespeak.com

Eddie’s story has always been about taking the lead and going the extra mile. Through his years as a world-class runner and now as an internationally known Speaker/Trainer, you can count on Eddie to be out in front. His accomplishments include: 3-time Division I All-American in Track and Cross Country at Loyola University Chicago; USA Gold Medal winner at International Competition in London, England; Fastest college indoor mile (3 minutes 58 seconds) in the nation, 1990; Member of illustrious Sub-Four Group (run mile in under four minutes); Represented the United States at the 1987 Pan Am games, 1990 USA Track & Field Team in London, England, as well as the 1992 Olympic Trials; Inducted into Loyola Athletic Hall of Fame, 1998; Founder and Operator of the LifeRide Leadership Camp for disadvantaged youth; Special Guest to the Illinois School Bullying Task Force. In almost 20 years of speaking, Eddie has found a way to combine the high energy of his competitive running years with a service to community. A self-made businessman, Eddie once again sets the pace - this time in a world of professional speaking. He has set a new example as an entrepreneur, building his speaking business from the ground up, one school, one business, one client at a time. Eddie uses music and sound effects and amazing dance moves that bring his memorable presentations to life. His dynamic approach creates an interactive experience for the audience that is unforgettable!





STONEHILL COLLEGE

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www.stonehill.edu

Founded as a Catholic college in 1948 by the Congregation of Holy Cross, Stonehill's holistic approach is guided by the principles of education and faith. Our students grow into global citizens who value knowledge, integrity and compassion as they seek to create a more just society.

Stonehill professors emphasize critical analysis and creative thinking while mentoring students in more than 80 academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, business and pre-professional fields.

Located between Boston and Providence, Stonehill is a Massachusetts College that provides students with an array of research and internship experiences on campus and nearby metropolitan areas. Stonehill has earned national recognition for our international student and intern abroad programs, which present our students with a world of opportunities.

At all levels of competition, athletics are a big part of life at Stonehill—more than 80% of our students participate on an NCAA Division II varsity team or play an intramural or club sport. The Stonehill Skyhawks compete in the Northeast-10 Conference, the largest NCAA Division II conference in the country.

From Boston and Directly North of Boston

- At Route 3/93 split, bear right
- Follow signs for Route 93 South to Route 95 Dedham
- Stay left to Exit 4—Route 24 South/Brockton, Fall River
- Exit 17B—Route 123 West/Easton
- College is 1/2 mile on right

From Cape Cod

- Route 25 West into Route 495 North
- Exit 7A - Route 24 North
- Exit 17B - Route 123 West/Easton
- College is 1/2 mile on right

From West of Boston

- Route 90 East
- Route 95 South
- Stay on Route 95 South past Dedham
- At the junction of 95 South and 93 North, Stay in left lanes (Exit 12) for Route 93 North toward Braintree. (Do not take Route 95 South exit)
- Exit 4 - Route 24 South/Brockton, Fall River
- Exit 17B - Route 123 West/Easton
- College is 1/2 mile on right

From Western CT, Western MA and Northern NY

- Route 84 East in CT or Route 90 East in MA
- Exit 11A - Route 495 South
- Exit 7A - Route 24 North/Boston
- Exit 17B - Route 123 West/Easton
- College is 1/2 mile on right

From Northwest of Boston

- Route 93 South
- Exit 37B - Route 95 South
- Stay of Route 95 South past Waltham and Dedham
- At the junction of 95 South and 93 North, Stay in left lanes (Exit 12) for Route 93 North toward Braintree. (Do not take Route 95 South exit)
- Exit 4 - Route 24 South/Brockton, Fall River
- Exit 17B - Route 123 West/Easton
- College is 1/2 mile on right

From Southern CT, Rhode Island, Southern NY and NJ

- Route 95 North into Massachusetts
- Exit 6A - Route 495 South
- Exit 7A - Route 24 North/Boston
- Exit 17B—Route 123 West/Easton





Student Delegate Checklist

Application Checklist - PLEASE NOTE THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2015

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Recommended Packing List*

- _____ Alarm Clock
- _____ Blanket
- _____ Pillow
- _____ Sneakers/Comfortable Shoes
- _____ Community Service Clothes/Sneakers
- _____ Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste and other toiletries
- _____ Rain Gear/Jacket/Umbrella
- _____ Room Fan
(Not all rooms will be equipped with air conditioning. Participants are highly encouraged to bring their own room fan for comfort during this conference.)
- _____ Sunscreen
- _____ Insect Repellent
- _____ Notebook/Pens
- _____ Snacks/Beverages
- _____ Spending Money

***The sponsoring state associations and Stonehill College are not responsible for any lost or stolen items.**

*For additional information about this conference, please contact your local state association.
 Please note - the online application deadline is June 1, 2015*

Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference

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The participating state associations give special thanks to the following organizations for making this event possible:

